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Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- 1. Response to Office Action mailed October 7, 2002 (1 pg.);
- 2. Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time (1 pg., in duplicate);
- 3. Check #15260 in the amount of \$205.00; and
- 4. Return Postcard.

This response is due on January 7, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 15966-585A. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 617/542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts.

Respectfully submitted,

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